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Companies.	Killed and Died of Wounds.			Died of Disease, Accident, in Prison, etc.			Total Died.	Total Enrollment.
	Officers.	Men.	Total.	Officers.	Men.	Total.		
Field & Staff	3	1	4				4	19
Co. A	1	20	21		23	23	44	210
Co. B	1	55	56		26	26	82	237
Co. C	2	37	39		23	23	62	217
Co. D	2	26	28		16	16	44	202
Co. E		34	34	1	28	29	63	224
Co. F	4	18	22		30	30	52	225
Co. G	1	12	13	1	30	31	44	209
Co. H		32	32	1	19	20	52	215
Co. I	1	21	22		25	25	47	197
Co. K	1	26	27		26	26	53	204
Co. L		20	20	1	34	35	55	203
Co. M	3	40	43		18	18	61	213
Totals . .	19	342	361	4	298	302	663	2575

Died in Confederate Prisons (previously included), 102.

Battles.	K. and M. W.	Battles.	K. and M. W.
Spotsylvania, May 19, '64 . .	10	Reams' Station, Aug. 25, '64 . .	24
North Anna, May 24, '64 . .	2	Boydtown Road, Oct. 27, '64 . .	13
Cold Harbor, June 3, '64 . .	207	Hatcher's Run, Mar. 25, '65 . .	1
Petersburg, June 16-18 . .	42	Dabney's Mills . . . . .	2
Weldon Railroad, June 22 . .	34	White Oak Road . . . . .	2
Siege of Petersburg . . . . .	16	On Picket, Feb. 8, '65 . . . . .	1
Deep Bottom . . . . .	4	By Prison Guards . . . . .	3
Present also at Totopotomoy; High Bridge; Farmville; Appomattox.			

RECAPITULATION AND PERCENTAGES.

Killed and died of wounds . . . . .	361	= 14.0	per cent. of enrollment.
Died from disease, accident, etc . .	302	= 11.7	" " "
Total died, all causes . . . . .	663	= 25.7	" " "
Wounded (not mortally) . . . . .	649	= 25.2	" " "
Killed and wounded . . . . .	1010	= 39.2	" " "
Died and wounded (not mortally)	1312	= 50.9	" " "

By the kindness of the author of "Regimental Losses in the American Civil War,"—a book which cost immense labor, and is of absorbing interest,—I am enabled to supplement the "Historical Roll of Company D" with the losses for the whole Regiment, by companies and by battles. Col. Fox says, in a note to the editor:

"On the records at Washington your Regiment is credited with the following loss: killed, officers 10, enlisted men 192,—total, 202; died of wounds, officers 9, enlisted men 143,—total, 354; died of disease, etc., officers 4, enlisted men 302,—total, 306; total deaths, officers 23, enlisted men 637,—total, 660. I make more killed owing to some who were "wounded and missing in action." I include these with the killed: the War Department does not, unless official and definite information is received as to their fate. There were 20 officers killed; one of them killed before muster."

Col. Fox's book shows that the highest percentage of deaths from battle in any regiment was 19.7 per cent. of total enrollment in the 2d Wisconsin. One hundred regiments had a mortality from battle of over ten per cent. Thirty-five regiments (out of over two thousand) had a higher percentage than our own, and three, the 7th W. Va., 28th Mass., and 37th Wis., had the same percentage. One regiment only—the 1st Maine Heavy Artillery—lost more men, and one only—the same—lost more in any one battle. This Regiment lost 423 men (19.2 per cent. of enrollment, and next to the 2d Wis.), killed or mortally wounded, and lost 210 at Petersburg, June 18, 1864. It also lost 147 at the Fredericksburg Pike, May 19, 1864, where we were engaged for the first time.

The statistics of losses for the Federal army during the entire war are as follows:

Total number of enlistments reduced to a three years' basis . . . . .	2,320,272
Killed (67,058) and mortally wounded (43,012) . . . . .	110,070
Wounded (not mortally) . . . . .	275,175
Total killed and wounded . . . . .	385,245
Died of disease, accidents, etc. . . . .	249,458
Total deaths . . . . .	359,528

Reducing these figures to percentages of total enrollment, and comparing the casualties of our own Regiment with those of the whole army, we have the following:

	8th N. Y. H. A.	All.
Killed and died of wounds . . . . .	14.0 . . . . .	4.7
Died of disease, accidents, etc. . . . .	11.7 . . . . .	10.8
Total died, all causes . . . . .	25.7 . . . . .	15.5
Total wounded (not mortally) . . . . .	25.2 . . . . .	11.9
Total killed and wounded . . . . .	39.2 . . . . .	16.6
Total died and wounded (not mortally) . . . . .	50.9 . . . . .	27.4

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